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interesting group of moths, the Bombycidæ, which contain the silk-worms of the old and the new world.

If, while reading the account of the American Silk-worm given in this journal, the reader wishes to become acquainted with its numerous allies, he cannot do better than consult the well-executed plates accompanying the papers under review. In several articles, such as those on the Sphinges and Zygænidæ, or Day-flying moths, of the Island of Cuba, prepared by the first-named author, and also accompanied by lithographic plates, many facts are adduced to show how close is the connection between the tropical insect fauna of Cuba, and the more temperate fauna of the United States. Without bringing out such interesting results as these, isolated descriptions of species are certainly dry reading and of little immediate profit to science.

THE TAXIDERMIST'S MANUAL. Third Edition. By *S. H. Sylvester*. Middleboro', Mass. 16mo, pp. 29. Price \$1.00.

A very brief, but so far as it goes, accurate account of the mode of stuffing birds and mammals, with a few words on the methods of preparing skeletons, preserving eggs, and mounting insects. The information given is too scanty, and wood-cuts should have been added illustrating the methods described. The price of this little book is altogether too high.

THE AMERICAN AGRICULTURIST. Orange Judd & Co., New York.

We cannot speak in too high praise of the Natural History illustrations in the above-named journal. Every number issued contains numerous illustrations of animals and plants, drawn with fidelity, and engraved with the utmost skill. The generous manner in which this branch of science is treated, renders the journal alike valuable to the lover of nature, and to the agriculturist.

AMERICAN POMOLOGY. APPLES. By *Dr. John A. Warder*. 29 Illustrations. New York, Orange Judd & Co., 41 Park Row. 12mo, 1867.

A carefully prepared and well-printed volume, which must prove of great value to all fruit-growers. While the book is intended for readers in all parts of the country, it is especially adapted to the wants of pomologists in the Western States.

A very useful and rather new feature in this compact manual is the large number of pages (fifty-five) devoted to the insects injurious to the apple, of which over eighty species are noticed, with short descriptions, notes regarding their habits, and remedies against their attacks, which contain many practical suggestions.

The chapters on the History of the Apple, Propagation, Dwarfing, and Diseases, must interest all scientific horticulturists.